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A TRIBUTE TO MOTHER.

It has been said that those things that are an everyday occurrence in our lives make no impression on our minds—but as usual there is an exception. We have accepted for years the sweet affection, the unswerving devotion, the unselfish service, and the many sacrifices of that wonderful person known to all of us as our Mother. Though man may accept these things without any visible sign of emotion, there is engraved on every man's mind and heart the depth of gratitude owed to his Mother.

Too many of us never fully realize just what a Mother means, for as William Dean Howells has said: "A man never sees all that his Mother has been to him 'till it's too late to let her know that he sees it." That is the reason that Mothers' Day was inaugurated, and all men pay homage to their Mothers that day.

The Aggies, separated by long distances, in most cases, from home, can yet breach the intervening distance and like all men pay tribute to their Mothers. Letters, telegrams, and packages, will carry home the thoughts we can not speak, and though cold print can not possibly convey the full strength of our gratitude, we Aggies join together in a printed tribute to Her:

TO MOTHER

Our thoughts this day are all of you—our memories recall these many debts we owe to you.

Well do we know the pressure of your helping hand when all others seemed to have turned us adrift.

Well do we remember the cheerful letters from home that scattered the clouds of despair that seemed to hover around us at times.

Well do we remember your untiring efforts to give us an opportunity to obtain a college education.

And well do we remember your wonderful advice that has kept us from making many mistakes.

Mother, your many sacrifices have not passed unnoticed, and our one hope is to vindicate your faith in us.

"WHY AN EXCHANGE STORE?"

A subject of considerable current comment has been the Bryan-College Interurban. So much has this been discussed that English instructors in public speaking now consider the topic trite. As a result of this triteness, a new subject was developed. This new subject is "Why An Exchange Store?" Possibly its phrasing is due directly to the previous question.

Regardless of its origin, the question is worthy of sincere consideration by all who are directly or indirectly affected. No one will deny the necessity of having such an establishment at the College. It is a necessity. But under what classification does this present Exchange Store fall? The annual catalogue states: "The College runs an exchange store for the purpose of supplying necessary articles to students at lowest possible cost. . . . These goods are sold at prices just sufficient to cover cost and operating expenses."

From the above quotation one would assume that the Exchange Store, since it has no rent to pay, no taxes, and no local competition, could render a most valuable service to the College students. But does it? If it does, why is the establishment without the support of the student body and, indeed, part of the faculty?

Why is it that Bryan merchants at a distance of five miles, with taxes, rent, and competition can sell more goods to the students than the Exchange Store which operates fundamentally without profit?

We know that the manager of the Exchange Store is paid a definite salary, we also know that the president of our College, contrary to the belief of the uninformed, has no control as a stockholder. But what we—which includes practically the entire student body—want to know is Where Does Our Money Go?

When a cooperatively owned store at the State University can construct its own building, pay taxes, and meet competition of the Austin merchants, who are not five miles away, why does not our Exchange Store render a more valuable service by selling goods at a lower cost than elsewhere? Do we need a Co-op?

FOR SALE.

This statement is made for the benefit of those few members of the student body who have said that it is their opinion the Bryan-College Interurban is paying dividends to its stockholders).

Two shares of Bryan-College Interurban stock, may be purchased at discount. Apply to The Battalion office for information.

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